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Orange County Man Sentenced for Carson Shooting

A Buena Park man accused of breaking into his girlfriend's home and shooting her stepfather was sentenced yesterday to 15 years and six months in state prison, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

A jury convicted Raheem Deandre Ford, 20, of attempted voluntary manslaughter on March 18 at the Los Angeles County Superior Court in Compton. Jurors also found true a special allegation that the defendant personally used a firearm in the commission of the crime.

Deputy District Attorney Adrian Roxas said on Nov. 2, 2012 sheriff deputies responded to a Carson home about a disturbance. While there, deputies heard gunshots followed by the homeowner stumbling out of the house with multiple gunshot wounds.

Family members still inside the home struggled with Ford and were able to get the gun away from him, at which point deputies interceded and arrested the defendant.

Roxas argued in court that Ford got into an argument with his girlfriend the night before the incident. Evidence presented during the trial revealed that Ford sent the girlfriend threatening text messages that said he was going to kill her and a member of her family.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

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About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the [Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office](http://da.lacounty.gov) prosecuted more than 73,000 felony defendants and 113,000 misdemeanor defendants.